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## Weather Indications.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Forecast till 8 p. m. Tuesday: For Kansas—Generally fair; winds shifting to southwesterly; warmer.

**ABILENE Reflector:** And still they come. Twenty thousand dollars lost to the state of Kansas through monkeying in purchasing bonds for the state school fund, according to the latest reports from Topeka. This beautiful reform administration is doing wonders in the way of purifying politics.

**CHANCELLOR SNOW** has received his annual reports from chinch bug stations, which show that of 2,570 experimenters, 1,832 reported success. The severe drouth in the south part of the state made the experiment less successful. The money value of the crop saved to Kansas in three years is \$600,000, and the chinch bugs experiments cost \$6,250.

A GOOD many disgraceful things are occurring outside of Kansas this year. The Kansas legislative war of last year, which was echoed around the world, was not as disgraceful as the election riot of the present week in Kansas City, Mo., or the similar occurrence a short time ago in Troy, New York.—*Atchison Globe.*

Nor as disgraceful as the dance given by the Tammany hall leaders, which ended in a drunken jamboree and murder.

A PRODIGIOUS and sonorous yawn resounded through the senate chamber this afternoon. It broke in upon the tariff debate, and the members of the senate looked amazed, and then a titter went around. The offender was none other than Senator Voorhees. He had dropped down in a corner of the senate chamber and gone hard asleep. The deep base wall was his awakening. Senator Harris, who was sitting next to him, came the disturbance, went over and began a conversation with Senator Voorhees. Senator Coke, who was himself nodding, arose right up out of his seat and turned entirely around before he was satisfied as to what was the matter.—*A Washington Dispatch.*

These are the sleepy senators who nod and snore at our expense, while the country struggles with its troubles. "On to Washington."

THE southern Democrats are bitterly opposing the confirmation of C. H. J. Taylor, the Wyandotte colored man who has been nominated for recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia. Taylor formerly lived at Atlanta, Georgia. The Evening Commercial of that city edited by B. U. Blackburn says:

"The members of the Democratic party all over the United States are disgusted with the disposition on the part of the administration to give some of the best places under the government to negroes, whose loyalty is measured by the extent of the revenue. The president has singled Taylor out for promotion at the expense of lifelong Democrats, many of whom have more ability. This is a course that deserves positive condemnation and absolute repudiation. The Commercial does not like that kind of democracy. We hope that the senate will lose no time in the rejection of Taylor's appointment. Don't pigeon-hole it, but come out like Anglo-Saxon Democrats and defeat his confirmation and that of every other negro who may be selected for this place. Force the president to send in the name of a white Democrat or let the Republican holdover remain in office. This is business; it is Democratic business."

A CLEARER insight into what causes the trouble in the coke regions may be gotten from two interviews by a New York World correspondent. The first was with President Davis, of the Coke Workers' union. He said:

"There is this H. C. Frick sack. They call it an agreement. How can it be called that, when every man who signed it was forced to do so or stay idle? It is all in favor of the operators, and binds us so we only can move as individuals and not as an organization. What can we accomplish as individuals against the capitalists?"

"They say they give us 25 cents for a fifty-bushel wagon. They make us heap that wagon up so that it holds seventy bushels, and we get no extra pay for it. They say they give us a nine hour day, but by making us stay till all the ovens are charged it is oftener ten and eleven hours than nine. Then again, they do not give us the money we earn, but only orders on the company stores. Rainey's works has not paid cash for seven months. At the company stores we are robbed of the little we earn by having to pay 20 per cent. higher than we could buy for cash with elsewhere."

"Now we want them to recognize our

organization. We don't want anybody to join it, though, unless he wants to. We want forty-five cents for a fifty-bushel wagon plump level full, and not heaped up, and we want our pay in cash and not in company store orders. We want inspectors at the mines who will look out for our interests as well as for the owners. We want a nine-hour day or extra pay for overtime work. All this is fair, and we are ready to submit to arbitration but they will not arbitrate."

A much more eloquent speech than that which President Davis made was made by a 16-year-old boy, a striker, who, when asked why he was striking, said, with tears running down his cheeks:

"I guess you would strike if you was me. Me and me father have worked together in the mines for two years, and between us we never can average more than eighty cents a day. There is me mother and four little ones to feed and clothes on that. It can't be done. Anything is better than the way things are going. Father would not strike, and told me not to, but I did, and I'll stick it out."

## KANSAS PARAGRAPHS.

The "Frisco" has allowed \$2,500 for the construction of a new depot at Neodesha. An Arkansas City man has a fig tree. This is the beginning of art culture in southern Kansas.

As long as Hen Koop lived at Hillsboro there was never any need of a chicken ordinance.

Kansas produced 3,899,000 tons of coal last year, an increase of over ten per cent. over the output of the preceding year.

The team hitched to a milk wagon ran away at Wellington the other day. For a while milk flowed like water—as it usually does.

"Granite sarcophagi" are the latest fad at Junction City, and though the craze hasn't become general, some people are dead gone on it.

They are having a Dickens revival at South Haven. Not a literary club but simply several editors slinging the epithet of Uriah Heep at each other.

People at Parsons are so near on their uppers that the man who has more than one pair of shoes is regarded by the police as a suspicious character.

The Tribune is afraid that Chanute will have a regular Chicago fire some day. If the solicitude is well founded Humboldt and Thayer would better be prepared.

"If Christ came to Chicago" is now on sale in Hutchinson according to the News, and the people who have read it don't wonder that his coming was made simply hypothetical.

There is great rivalry between Iola and Moran over the number of teams in town on Saturday. If the jealousy becomes much greater there will be danger of repeating being done.

Miss Eva Ryan, of Hiawatha, who some time ago published a book entitled "The Literary Women of Brown County" is now engaged in writing a biography of Mr. Madison Allison.

Carlyle, Allen county, is expected soon to become quite a town. The postmaster has resigned and no one in the town wants the place. If the town doesn't soon fill up with a horde of hungry Democrats it will be because they don't hear of it.

Experts studying the Eldorado bank robbery say the money must be hid, as no one would carry forty-five pounds of gold very far. There's some plausibility about the theory, but really times are so hard a man might work a little for that amount of money.

## ONLY BIG TOE DAMAGED

According to Judge Hazen, But He Will Get \$3,500.

Almon Richards, the Topeka man who was hurt a few years ago in the explosion of a steam heater in a Santa Fe passenger coach near Meriden, will get \$3,500 for his injuries.

The case against the Santa Fe for damages, was tried at the last term of court and the jury returned a verdict allowing Richards \$5,000 damages.

Experts of the company who made a motion for a new trial which was this morning passed on by Judge Hazen, who reduced the amount of the judgment to \$3,500.

In deciding the case Judge Hazen said: That this man was badly hurt no one denies, but he did not lose any limbs and although he was injured internally at the time, he has fully recovered from his injuries and the judgment rendered by the jury was excessive. It was not the sentiment of the jury that he should have had as much as was allowed, but he was determined he should either have \$5,000 or nothing. I know this to be so, for one of the jurors told me so soon after the verdict was rendered.

"The only real injury the man still sustains was to his foot and then it took an expert physician to determine that he did not have the full use of his large toe. There is no question but that the steam heater on this car was dangerous."

"The only expert on steam appliances introduced said that any steam or hot water heater that had no steam gauge is dangerous and this martin heater did not have a steam gauge. I will overrule the motion for a new trial providing the plaintiff's attorney will agree to the reduction of the verdict to \$3,500, which in my opinion is about \$500 too much."

David Overmyer, attorney for Richards, said he wanted all he could get and the court asked what his acceptance of the reduced verdict be filed today or the new trial will be granted.

## DEATH OF WM. S. PUGH.

He Passes Away at the Home of Robert Pugh on Sunday.

Died, on Sunday, April 9, at the home of his parents, near Oakland, Wm. S. Pugh, son of Robert Pugh. Four years ago, while attending the Art school in Topeka, he had a severe attack of la grippe, from which he never fully recovered, and which finally developed into consumption.

A visit to Colorado greatly improved his health, and in June, 1892, he was married to Miss Minnie Baxter.

At the World's fair in June of last year he caught a heavy cold which was too much for his feeble constitution. For the past three months he has been in El Paso, Texas, but without receiving the benefit hoped for. He died within two days after reaching home, aged twenty-five years and nine months. Funeral services will be held at his late home Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.



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## THE RATE WAR WITH THE KATY.

The Interesting Experience of a Santa Fe Conductor at Kansas City—General Railroad News.

It is altogether probable that the Leavenworth, Topeka & Southwestern railroad will be in operation under the management of the Santa Fe. A citizen's committee from Leavenworth, consisting of Mayor Samuel Dodsworth, City Attorney C. P. Rutherford, John Wilson, Horace Shaeffer, county attorney of Jefferson county, and Marshal Gephart of Oskaloosa, have been holding a conference with J. J. Frey, general manager of the Santa Fe railroad, with regard to it.

Mr. Frey informed the committee that he had already placed the matter before the board of receivers for the Santa Fe at New York, and that in ten days he would take up and operate the Southwestern. The report that Trainmaster H. A. Lee of the Santa Fe, had inspected the Southwestern, and reported on its condition, is denied, however.

A prominent Santa Fe railroad man said to the reporter today: "I anticipate that the Santa Fe will run the road."

## DODSWORTH'S BIG SURPRISE.

An Unusual Scene in Which a Santa Fe Conductor Figures.

With tears in his eyes and a heavy pain at his heart Santa Fe Conductor Donehue arrived in Kansas City one morning last week in response to a telegram announcing the death of his beloved wife. Sadly he boarded a cable car and the scene that followed brought tears to the eyes of the hardened policeman across the car and produced several feminine handkerchiefs; while the male passengers became suddenly abashed with the street scene and gazed abashedly out of the windows.

It appears that Mrs. Donehue had had a sort of fainting spell or trance and had been apparently dead for two hours. Her mother at once sent the telegram referred to above, but forgot to contradict it when the lady revived. Mr. Donehue is again on his run and his passengers sometimes wonder why he is so particularly happy.

## THE RAILROAD Y. M. C. A.

Thirty-five New Members Have Been Added the Past Month.

A great deal of interest exists among the railroad employees in this city in regard to the railroad Y. M. C. A. Thirty-five new members have been added during the past month and the membership now reaches 285. Religious meetings are conducted at the shops at the noon hour each Thursday and are always well attended. The meeting of last Thursday was addressed by Rev. M. E. Long, of the Third Presbyterian church. Clarence L. Gates, of New York city, the international secretary, was to have spoken to a meeting for men only at the room tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, but H. R. Hilton of the city Y. M. C. A. will take his place, and Mr. Gates will not be here until the 23d. The meetings are much augmented by the new male chorus. Secretary Lerrigo, who is in California for his health, is expected home May 4.

## GRAIN RATE WAR.

Freight Transportation Cheaper Than Actual Cost.

The grain rate war now on between the Santa Fe and the Katy from Kansas points, has resulted in the recent adoption of the following schedule by the

former: Flour, 25 cents per 100; wheat, 20 cents; oats, 15 cents; corn and hay, 15 cents.

The old rate was 12 cents higher than this, and the new one gives the customers of the road freight transportation on these commodities at less than its actual cost. The result will be a general stocking up by the outside dealers in oats and breadstuffs from Kansas. It is probable that the Katy will soon follow the example.

## MUST WEIGH MAIL MATTER.

New Order Issued From the State Department at Washington.

Beginning with the 16th inst., and ending May 16th, all mail matter will be weighed by the railroads and the results reported to the postoffice department.

This is done by order of the postmaster general under the laws requiring the weighing of all mail matter by the railroads handling it for thirty days every fourth year.

The order has now been issued to the railroads in Kansas, Colorado, Nebraska and Oklahoma.

## RAILROAD NOTES.

What Is Going On in Topeka and Along the Railway Lines.

Fireman Wm. Maloney is at his home sick.

Engineer C. D. Page is visiting in Denver for a few days.

Ways cars 61 and 213 are in the Santa Fe shops to be entirely rebuilt.

E. St. John and S. F. Wilson of the Rock Island are in Fort Worth.

Engines Nos. 361 and 632, overhauled, went out of the Santa Fe shops Friday.

Engineer James Thomas, who has been sick, reported for duty again today.

The Bridge Builders of America will have a meeting at Neodesha on the 14th inst.

General Solicitor George R. Peck, of the Atchison-Frisco, is now at Eureka Springs.

Assistant General Superintendent Hitt of the Rock Island, is in Colorado Springs for a few days.

Engineer J. P. Kelley, better known among the boys as "Sand-livered Jack," is sick this week.

General Manager J. J. Frey is on his way to New York, to confer with the railroad receivers.

C. K. Hudson returned yesterday from Kansas City where he attended a freight rate committee meeting.

Engineer Amos Beeler took a new Santa Fe engine, No. 361, to Meriden Saturday as a test trip.

Six hundred and seventy-four cars of live stock were shipped into Atchison over the Central Branch during March.

Engineer James Rolla made his first run Friday, with his new passenger engine No. 859, recently received from the Baldwin works.

The members of the American Medical association have chosen the Santa Fe to carry them to their meeting at San Francisco next May.

General Manager E. St. John of Chicago, is making a tour of the Rock Island line west of the Mississippi river in his private car 100.

Superintendent C. T. McLillian and General Road Master R. J. Parker, left for the west this morning on a tour of inspection of the Santa Fe.

Passenger coaches 11 and 110 of the Colorado Midland are in the Santa Fe shops for rebuilding. Passenger coach 1001 made its first trip Sunday.

A tourist train of four Pullman coaches loaded with California people, left Denver for Chicago over the Rock Island today and will pass through Topeka tomorrow afternoon at 8:25.

The Rock Island reports business in all departments as steadily picking up with much better as compared with preceding months, but still not so good as that of the same time last year.

A special train of eight cars loaded with bananas left Galveston last Friday for the north and east. Five of the cars were dropped at points prior to this and

## "WHERE DIRT GATHERS, WASTE RULES."

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three passed through here Wednesday for Chicago and the east.

Strawberries are beginning to move northward from Texas and the Santa Fe reports that by the 25th it will be taking four or five cars a day from Van Buren, Arkansas. The strawberry crop this year in the south will be a large one.

The rains of yesterday and last night were general over the Santa Fe in Kansas south to the line and west beyond Newton. The Rock Island country was also well soaked and even the dry country between Bucklin and Liberal got a good share which, with the two or three snows of the winter, will insure the wheat crop.

## SATURDAY NIGHT CLUB

Will Assist in Entertaining the Academy of Language and Literature.

At a meeting of the Saturday Night club last Saturday evening a paper entitled "A Sketch from Moslem history," written by Mr. Chas. F. Spencer, was read by Mr. A. D. Gray. Mr. Spencer is in Louisiana, but forwarded his paper for the regular club programme.

The Saturday Night club will unite with the Washburn faculty and club in entertaining the Academy of Language and Literature which is to convene here this week.

## LOCAL MENTION.

Judge Hazen called the entire civil docket for the April term of court this morning.

Dr. L. A. Saunders of Mankato, was in the city over Sunday, and will move to Topeka with his family.

Six United States prisoners were brought to Topeka yesterday from Leavenworth and are now confined in the county jail.

The hotel Throop is already making arrangements for the entertainment of the delegates to the meeting of the Masonic National Grand Chapter in July. Several parties of Masons from New England have already engaged rooms.

Mrs. Lela Z. Raper the defendant in the Raper divorce case which was filed in the district court a few days ago says all the allegations in the petition of Mr. Raper are untrue. She says her son did not try to kill the old gentleman and the story that he dragged him with a rope around his neck is absolutely false.

D. I. Furbeck returned yesterday from a six week's visit to Texas. He reports cattle on western ranges in very poor condition as vegetation has been almost totally destroyed by dry weather. Mr. Furbeck says that the country around Houston is rapidly filling up with northern people who purchase ten acre tracts to devote to fruit farming.

U. F. Hotel Arrivals.

John F. Carter, Lessee, Victor Neill, Kansas City; W. H. Smith, Marysville, Kan.; C. B. Griffith, F. M. Tuttle, Kansas City; Edwin E. Heath, E. J. Benton, Holton, Kan.; H. P. Wilson, Hays City; J. A. Brown, Portland, Me.; G. H. Harris, Ft. Scott; J. L. Johnston, Kansas City; S. R. Cowick, Wa-Keeney; Jas. F. Kelley, Kansas City Journal; John H. Keller, Kansas City; Charles Kubach, G. A. Kubach, Abilene, Kan.; O. D. Randall, St. Louis; Wm. Martin, Marion; James R. Anderson, Cincinnati.

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A WORD FROM A. G. STACEY.

To the Editor of the Journal.

Sir: In his Sunday paper, Maj. J. K. Hudson drops his usually courteous manner long enough to call the undersigned a "blackmailer," and this in the home of both of us where only one has opportunity to speak to his friends. Brother Hudson has been before the public too long, and has been too often a seeker after public patronage to indulge in such vituperation. He evidently forgets himself.

A blackmailer is one who demands money or other consideration for the suppression of alleged injurious facts, under threats of publishing them to the world. I merely give the usual acceptance of the word. The major evidently forgets himself, as he has done before. If I have ever demanded money or any other consideration of any man, let the honest editor of the Capital name the man and act, but until that can be done I must object to such language from this man who demands public position.

It is true that for fifteen years I have lived in Topeka honestly and paid my debts, and possibly for this reason he feels grieved. I have never contracted debts with no intention of paying them. God help the Republican party when it falls into the hands of such men, for martial power cannot save it from disrepute and disintegration.

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